

THURSDAY, MAY 9, 1901.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Baker, Blitch, Broome, Butler, Carson, Cottrell, Crews, Crill, Denham, Dimick, Harris, Kirk, Law, Miller, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Neel, O'Brien, Palmer, Peacock, Rouse, Whidden, Sams, Wilson of 4th, Wilson of 7th, Wadsworth and Williams—29.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was corrected and approved.

A message was received from the House of Representatives.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Carson, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 191:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of aged teachers. Also,

Senate Bill No. 226:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 13, Chapter 4192, Laws of Florida, relating to teachers' examination.

Be it leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that said bills do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. A. CARSON,  
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 191 and Senate Bill No. 226, contained in the above report, were placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Carson, Acting Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to validate, ratify, confirm and approve actions of County Commissioners in relation to the laying out, grading, constructing and paving, and making contracts in relation to the same, of paved, macadamized or rock public highways, roads and boulevards.

Also,

An act to give the prosecuting attorney of County Courts the right of process for witnesses, and to empower him to administer oaths, and to take the recognizance of witnesses.

Have examined the same and found them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. A. CARSON,

Acting Chairman of Committee.

The acts contained in the above report were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Peacock, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to authorize a married woman under age to convey real estate.

Also,

An act to prescribe what shall be deemed a lawful fence in part of Townships 43 and 44, Ranges 26 and 28, in Lee county, Florida, and to exempt said territory from the provisions of Sections 875, 876 and 878 of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Also,

An act to amend Section 145 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to bond and oath of office of the Commissioner of Agriculture.

Also,

An act to change the name of the Hillsboro River and Mosquito Lagoon to Indian River North.

Have examined the same and found them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,  
J. M. N. PEACOCK,  
Chairman of Committee.

The acts contained in the above report, were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Carson, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 236:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 13 of Chapter 4192 of the Laws of Florida, entitled an "act to prescribe rules and regulations for licensing teachers; to provide for uniform examinations; to secure fairness in examinations, and in issuing teachers' certificates, and for other purposes.

Beg leave to report that they have had same under consideration, and recommend that it be passed by the Senate.

Very respectfully,  
C. A. CARSON,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 236, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Carson, Acting Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to validate, ratify, confirm and approve actions of County Commissioners in relation to the laying out, grading, constructing and paving, and making contracts in relation to the same, of paved, macadamized or rock public highways, roads and boulevards.

Also,

An act to give the prosecuting attorney of County Courts the right of process for witnesses, and to empower him to administer oaths, and to take the recognizance of witnesses.

Also,

An act to amend Section 3, Chapter 4569, Laws of Florida, entitled an act to establish a battalion of Naval Militia, to be known as the First Naval Battalion of the State of Florida, approved June 4, 1897.

Have examined the same and found them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

C. A. CARSON,

Acting Chairman of Committee.

The acts contained in the above report, were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signature of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Cottrell, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following report

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 130:

A bill to be entitled an act for the protection of live stock from beasts of prey.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 232:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 875 and 877 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relative to fences.

Have carefully considered same, and recommend that said bills be passed.

Also,

House Bill No. 105:

A bill to be entitled an act to protect stock from barb wire fences, and to provide for the sale and disposition of the proceeds thereof, if not repaired by the owner of said fence.

Have carefully considered said bill and herewith submit as a substitute:

A bill to be entitled an act to compel owners of barb wire fences to keep them in repair, and in default thereof to provide for the sale of the same and the disposition of the proceeds.

And recommend that the substitute be passed by the Senate.

Very respectfully,  
E. L. COTTRELL,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 232 and House Bills Nos. 130 and 105, contained in the above report, together with the substitute for House Bill No. 105, were placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Peacock, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to authorize a married woman under age to convey real estate.

Also,

An act to prescribe what shall be deemed a lawful fence in part of Townships 43 and 44, Ranges 26 and 28, in Lee county, Florida, and to exempt said territory from the provisions of Sections 875, 876 and 878 of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Also,

An act to amend Section 145 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to bond and oath of office of the Commissioner of Agriculture.

Also,

An act to change the name of the Hillsboro River and Mosquito Lagoon to Indian River North.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,  
J. M. N. PEACOCK,  
Chairman of Committee.

The acts contained in the above report, were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signature of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Game, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Committee on Game, to whom was referred—  
Senate Bill No. 198:

A bill to be entitled an act for the protection of birds and their nests and eggs..

Have had the same under consideration, and herewith submit a substitute therefor with the following title:

A bill to be entitled an act for the protection of birds and their nests and eggs, and prescribing a penalty for any violation thereof.

We recommend the passage of the substitute.

Very respectfully,

D. H. BAKER,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 198, contained in the above report, together with the substitute therefor, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Carson, Acting Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to validate, ratify, confirm and approve actions of County Commissioners in relation to the laying out, grading, constructing and paving, and making contracts in relation to the same, of paved, macadamized or rock public highways, roads and boulevards.

Also,

An act to give the prosecuting attorney of County Courts the right of process for witnesses, and to empower him to administer oaths, and to take the recognizance of witnesses.

Also,

An act to amend Section 3, Chapter 4569, Laws of Florida, entitled an act to establish a battalion of Naval Militia, to be known as the First Naval Battalion of the State of Florida, approved June 4, 1897.

Beg to report that the same has been presented to the

House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Very respectfully,

C. A. CARSON,

Acting Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Committee on Fisheries, to whom was referred—  
Senate Bill No. 218:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 2772 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, said Section entitled “dredging for sponge.”

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined same and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

FRANK W. SAMs,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 218, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Peacock, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to authorize a married woman under age to convey real estate.

Also,

An act to prescribe what shall be deemed a lawful fence in part of Townships 43 and 44, Ranges 26 and 28, in Lee county, Florida, and to exempt said territory from the provisions of Sections 875, 876 and 878 of the Revised Statutes of Florida.

Also,

An act to amend Section 145 of the Revised Statutes of Florida, relating to bond and oath of office of the Commissioner of Agriculture.

Also,

An act to change the name of the Hillsboro River and Mosquito Lagoon to Indian River North.

Beg to report that the same has been presented to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Very respectfully,  
J. M. N. PEACOCK,  
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Committee on Fisheries, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 48:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal Chapter 4559, Laws of Florida (1897), entitled an act to prohibit the catching or taking of fish with gill net or seine from the waters of the Homasassa River and its tributaries.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully examined same and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,  
F. W. SAMs,  
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 48, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Carson, Acting Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to validate, ratify, confirm and approve actions of County Commissioners in relation to the laying out, grading, constructing and paving, and making contracts in relation to the same, of paved, macadamized or rock public highways, roads and boulevards.

Also,

An act to give the prosecuting attorney of County Courts the right of process for witnesses, and to empower him to administer oaths, and to take the recognizance of witnesses.

Also,

An act to amend Section 3, Chapter 4569, Laws of Florida, entitled an act to establish a battalion of Naval Militia, to be



known as the First Naval Battalion of the State of Florida, approved June 4, 1897.

Beg to report that the same has been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and is herewith presented to the Senate for the signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.

Very respectfully,  
C. A. CARSON,  
Acting Chairman of Committee.

### ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—

An act to validate, ratify, confirm and approve actions of County Commissioners in relation to the laying out, grading, constructing and paving, and making contracts in relation to the same, of paved, macadamized or rock public highways, roads and boulevards.

Also,

An act to give the prosecuting attorney of County Courts the right of process for witnesses, and to empower him to administer oaths, and to take the recognizance of witnesses.

Also,

An act to amend Section 3, Chapter 4569, Laws of Florida, entitled an act to establish a battalion of Naval Militia, to be known as the First Naval Battalion of the State of Florida, approved June 4, 1897.

The acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Sams, Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Committee on Fisheries, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 227:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the transportation for sale of food fish caught from waters in Lake county, be-

yond the limits of said county, and to fix a penalty for the violation thereof.

Beg to report that they have carefully examined same, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

F. W. SAMS,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 227, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 228:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing the appointment of sheep inspectors, and defining the duties of such inspectors.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and return the bill without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 228, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 219:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 991 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida, providing how suits may be revived against the executor or administrator of parties defendant where action survives.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend its passage with the following amendment, to-wit:

By striking out Section 2, the same being the following:

"This act shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor."

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 219, contained in the above report, Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 203:

A bill to be entitled an act concerning the arrangement of the entrances and interior or saloons and other places where spirituous, vinous and malt liquors are sold and dispensed.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 203, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Wilson of 7th, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 145:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the issue, custody, redemption, sale and transfer of tax sale certificates, and the issue of tax deeds and prescribing the duties of certain officers in connection therewith.

Beg leave to report that they have carefully considered same, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 145, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Carson, Acting Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Sir—Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

An act to validate, ratify, confirm and approve actions of County Commissioners in relation to the laying out, grading, constructing and paving, and making contracts in relation to the same, of paved, macadamized or rock public highways, roads and boulevards.

Also,

An act to give the prosecuting attorney of County Courts the right of process for witnesses, and to empower him to administer oaths, and to take the recognizance of witnesses.

Also,

An act to amend Section 3, Chapter 4569, Laws of Florida, entitled an act to establish a battalion of Naval Militia, to be known as the First Naval Battalion of the State of Florida, approved June 4, 1897.

Beg to report that the same has been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,  
C. A. CARSON,  
Acting Chairman of Committee.

### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The notice of Mr. Williams, given yesterday, that to-day he would move to reconsider the vote by which House Joint Resolution No. 199 failed to pass.

Was taken up.

Mr. Williams moved to reconsider the vote by which House Joint Resolution No. 199 failed to pass.

Which was agreed to.

And House Joint Resolution No. 199 was ordered back on Calendar of bills on third reading.

The notice of Mr. MacWilliams, given yesterday, that to-day he would move to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 174 was indefinitely postponed.

Was taken up.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 174 was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Harris moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table.

Mr. Harris withdrew the motion.

The yeas and nays were demanded on the motion to reconsider.

Upon call of the roll, the vote was—

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Baker, Blitch, Broome, Butler, Carson, Cottrell, Miller, McCreary, MacWilliams, Palmer of 14th, Peacock and Williams—13.

Nays—Messrs. Adams, Crews, Denham, Dimick, Harris, Kirk, Law, Neel, O'Brien, Rouse, Whidden, Sams, Wilson of 7th and Wadsworth—14.

So the motion to reconsider was not agreed to.

Mr. Wilson of 4th stated that he was paired with Mr. Myers; that if Mr. Myers were present he would vote nay, and he (Mr. Wilson of 4th) would vote yea.

Mr. Crill stated that he was paired with Mr. Rogers; that if Mr. Rogers were present he would vote nay, and he (Mr. Crill) would vote yea.

A message was received from the Governor.

#### SPECIAL ORDER.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 134:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 8, Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to county school levy.

Was taken up and read a third time in full, the hour of 10.15 o'clock a. m., having arrived, the time for consideration of same.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the resolution, the vote was—

Yeas—Messrs. Blitch, Butler, Carson, Harris, Kirk, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, O'Brien, Peacock, Rouse and Wilson of 4th—12.

Nays—Messrs. Adams, Baker, Broome, Cottrell, Crill, Denham, Dimick, Law, Palmer of 14th, Whidden, Sams, Wilson of 7th and Williams—13.

So Senate Joint Resolution No. 134, having failed to receive the constitutional majority of three-fifths vote of all the members elected to the Senate, failed to pass.

#### BILLS ON SECOND READING.

By Mr. MacWilliams:

Senate Bill No. 163:

A bill to be entitled an act concerning fire insurance policies.

Was taken up.

And Senate Bill No 163 was informally passed.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 96:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Florida, in relation to the Legislature.

Was taken up.

And Senate Bill No. 96 was informally passed.

Senate Bill No. 82:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate weights of produce sold in the State of Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. MacWilliams asked permission to withdraw Senate Bill No. 82.

Which was granted.

And Senate Bill No. 82 was withdrawn.

Senate Bill No. 149:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Fisheries, and to define his duties in the State of Florida.

Was taken up and read a second time in full, together with the Committee amendments:

The following committee amendment was read:

First, strike out all Section 4.

Mr. Sams moved the adoption of the committee amendments.

Which was agreed to.

The following committee amendment was read:

Second, in Section 6, strike out the words "one thousand," and all words after the word "annum," and insert in lieu of "one thousand" the words "five hundred."

Mr. Sams moved the adoption of the committee amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

The following committee amendment was read:

Third, strike out all Section 7.

Mr. Sams moved the adoption of the Committee amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Harris moved to reconsider the vote by which the following amendment, to-wit: "strike out all of Section 4," was adopted.

Mr. Harris moved to waive the rules and take up the motion to reconsider at once.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The motion to reconsider was agreed to.

The committee amendment, "strike out Section 4," was again placed before the Senate on the motion of Mr. Sams to adopt the same.

The motion to adopt was not agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 149 was ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The following communication from the Governor was read:  
State of Florida, Executive Department,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1901.

Hon. Thomas Palmer,

*President of the Senate:*

Dear Sir—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following Acts, which originated in your Honorable Body, and have caused the same to be filed in the office of the Secretary of the State:

"An Act to extend the time for the building and completion of the South American and International Railroad."

Also,

"An Act to authorize the Supreme Court of Florida to select Commissioners to assist the Court in the performance of its duties and prescribing the duties of such Commissioners, and providing for their compensation."

Also,

"An Act to amend Sections 1, 2 and 3 of Chapter 4774, Laws of Florida, being an act to provide for working, repairing and maintaining the public roads and bridges in Levy county by contracts, and to provide penalties for failure thereof. Approved April 27th, 1899.

Very respectfully,

W. S. JENNINGS,

Governor.

By permission—

Mr. Baker introduced—

Senate Bill No. 246:

A bill to be entitled an act authorizing the county of Marion alone, or in conjunction with any adjoining county, to construct bridges across the Withlacoochee river and Ocklawaha river for public use.

By permission—

Mr. O'Brien introduced—

Senate Bill No. 247:

A bill to be entitled an act to make Mardi Gras day a legal holiday in the city of Pensacola.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on City and County Organization.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on City and County Organization.

### SPECIAL ORDER.

Senate Bill No. 215:

A bill to be entitled an act creating three Congressional District in the State of Florida, and defining the boundaries of same, and repealing Sections 57 and 58 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida.

Was taken up and read a second time in full, the hour of 11 o'clock a. m. having arrived, the time set for consideration of same.

Mr. Adams offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 215:

Strike out Section 5, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Section 5. This act shall take effect in accordance with an act of Congress making an apportionment of representatives to Congress among the several States under the twelfth census," approved January 16, 1901.

Mr. Adams moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Palmer of 14th offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 215:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Section 1. That the State of Florida shall be divided into three Congressional Districts, to be known as, respectively, the First Congressional District, the Second Congressional District; and the Third Congressional District.

Sec. 2. The First Congressional District of Florida shall be composed of the counties following, namely: Escambia, Santa Rosa, Walton, Holmes, Washington, Jackson, Calhoun, Franklin, Liberty, Gadsden, Leon, Wakulla, Jefferson, Madison.

Sec. 3. The Second Congressional District of Florida shall be composed of the following counties, namely: Taylor, Hamilton, Suwannee, Lafayette, Columbia, Alachua, Bradford, Baker, Nassau, Duval, Clay, Putnam, St. Johns.

Sec. 4. The Third Congressional District of Florida shall be composed of the counties following, namely: Levy, Marion, Citrus, Hernando, Sumter, Lake, Orange, Pasco, Hillsborough, Polk, Osceola, Brevard, Manatee, DeSoto, Lee, Dade, Monroe, Volusia.

Sec. 5. That all laws or parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Mr. Palmer of 14th moved the adoption of the amendment.



The yeas and nays were demanded on the motion to adopt the amendment.

Upon call of the roll—

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Denham, Harris and Palmer of 14th—3.

Nays—Messrs. Adams, Baker, Blitch, Broome, Butler, Carson, Cottrell, Crews, Crill, Dimick, Kirk, Law, Miller, Myers, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Neel, O'Brien, Peacock, Rouse, Whidden, Sams, Wilson of 4th, Wilson of 7th and Wadsworth—26.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Williams stated that on all matters affecting this bill he was paired with Mr. Rogers. If the latter were present, he would vote nay; and he (Mr. Williams) would vote yea.

Mr. Adams offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 215:

Insert the following as Section 4 of the bill:

"Sec. 4. The districts hereinbefore named shall constitute and form the Congressional Districts of the State of Florida, and a Representative to the Congress of the United States shall be elected in and for each of said Congressional Districts at the next general election, and thereafter as now provided by law.

Mr. Adams moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Adams offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 215:

Amend the other sections to conform to previous amendment.

Mr. Adams moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 215, as amended, was ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

By permission—

Mr. Wilson of 7th introduced—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 248:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 8 of Article XII, and to repeal Section 6 of Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to State and county school levy.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Mr. Kirk moved to adjourn until 9:30 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until 8:30 o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

## FRIDAY, MAY 10, 1901.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

Upon call of the roll, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Adams, Baker, Blitch, Broome, Butler, Carson, Cottrell, Crews, Crill, Denham, Dimick, Harris, Kirk, Law, Miller, Myers, McCaskill, McCreary, MacWilliams, Neel, O'Brien, Palmer, Peacock, Rouse, Whidden, Sams, Wilson of 4th, Wilson of 7th, Wadsworth and Williams—31.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Owing to an accident at the printing office, and no Journals being printed, Mr. Blitch moved that the correction of Thursday's Journal be deferred until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Kirk moved that the Chaplain be excused from attendance to-morrow and Monday.

The Chaplain (Rev. Mr. Woodward) was excused.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. McCaskill:

Senate Bill No. 249:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring operators of railroads to keep record of and publish the marks and brands of stock killed by trains.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Wilson of 7th:

Senate Bill No. 250:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections one (1) and nine (9) of Chapter 4255 of the Laws of Florida, entitled an act to increase the facilities and improve transportation throughout the State, and to incorporate the Florida Grand Trunk Railway Company, approved June 3, 1893.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads.